



Media Information

Columbus Division of Police
Major Crimes Bureau / Homicide Unit

Date: December 2, 2022

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Type of Offense/Incident: Involuntary Manslaughter

Date: Nov 18, 2022

Time: 5:38pm

Location of Offense/Incident: 100 Block of South Harris Ave

Zone: 3

Precinct: 19

Incident Report #: 220846328

Cruiser District: 194

Victim: Dekari Johnson (Baby)

Sex: Male

Race: Black

Age: 1

Victim:

Sex:

Race:

Age:

Victim:

Sex:

Race:

Age:

Suspect: David A. Johnson III

Address: 70 South Harris Ave, Columbus, OH 43228

☒ Arrested

☐ Warrant on File

Sex: M

Race: B

Age: 20

Charges: See Below

Suspect: Destiny C. Strickland

Address: 1586 Jonathan Drive, Columbus, OH

☒ Arrested

☐ Warrant on File

Sex: F

Race: B

Age: 20

Charges: See Below

Incident Summary: On November 18, 2022, Patrol Officers responded to the 100 Block of S. Harris Ave on the report of an unresponsive baby. Upon arrival, the baby was being transported by CFD Medic 817 to Children's Hospital. Despite life saving efforts by the medical staff, the baby was pronounced deceased at 5:58pm. On November 21, 2022 an autopsy was conducted by the Franklin County Coroner's office and the baby tested positive for Fentanyl. On December 2, 2022 the Franklin County Grand Jury returned indictments against the suspects for the following charges:

1. David A. Johnson III (Father)-Involuntary Manslaughter-F1, 2 counts of Endangering Children-F3, Tampering with Evidence-F3 and 10 counts of Drug Offenses all Felonies of the First Degree

2. Destiny C. Strickland-Obstructing Official Business-F5

3. Davaiar D. Porter, M/B 22, 288 S. Harris Ave, Columbus, OH 43228-Tampering w/Evidence-F3, Possession of Drugs-F4 and Obstructing Official Business-F5

Detective Lemmon is the lead detective on the case and is being assisted by Detective Egelhoff.

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